

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0066] with the following amended paragraph:

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The rendering and rasterization routines 505 include a scaling sub-routine 506, a hinting sub-routine 507, a scan conversion sub-routine 508 and a color compensation sub-routine 509. The operation of these various sub-routines 506, 507, 508 and 509 to generate a pixel-subcomponent-oriented character may be the same as described above with respect to the Hill et al. patent. However, unlike software-only embodiments of the Hill et al. patent, the graphics interface 502 interfaces with a hardware graphics unit 512. In particular, the graphics interface 502 uses application program interface 511 to issue function calls to the hardware graphics unit 512, and to potentially receive responses back from the hardware graphics unit 512.

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